

Testimony for public hearing
Appropriations Committee
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Dear Senator Catherin Osten, Senator Paul Formica, and Representative Toni Walker,

My daughter Ella and son Grayson are both students at Wintergreen Interdistrict Magnet School and this school has been the perfect fit for our family. The extended day at WIMS is a real benefit as their teachers have time to focus on the academics as well as their social/emotional development. This is especially crucial to my son's academic success as he has recently been diagnosed with ADHD and anxiety disorder. His teachers, paraprofessionals, social workers, and administrative staff have all been working together to provide Grayson with the help he needs to be successful at school. He is exceling in reading, writing, and math and I credit that to the team of educators and support staff at WIMS. I can't imagine my children in any other school. My daughter loves WIMS and tells me all the time, "mommy, I'm staying in this school until 8th grade!" I ask that you please continue to support and fund our wonderful school. It truly is a special place that is so important in the education of our children. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Alyssa I. Figlar